LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT-SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

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ACTION: ACTIVE/INVESTIGATION MADE/VICTIMS, WITNESSES, SUSPECTS INTERVIEWED/ ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CORONER CASE #93-5854 AND #93-5855 ISSUED

C- MURDER - 187 PC
ATTEMPT MURDER OF A PEACE OFFICER - 664/187 PC
TRANSPORTATION/SALES OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE - 11352 H&S
INJURY TO COUNTY EMPLOYEE

V#1 - CRAIG HUSBANDS, EMPLOYEE #[redacted],
DEPUTY SHERIFF, NARCOTIC BUREAU, CRESCENTA VALLEY CREW

V#2 - DONALD BOUCHER, EMPLOYEE #[redacted],
DEPUTY SHERIFF, NARCOTIC BUREAU, CRESCENTA VALLEY CREW

V#3 - ROBERT BARDON, EMPLOYEE #[redacted],
DEPUTY SHERIFF, NARCOTIC BUREAU, PALMDALE CREW

V#4 - STEPHEN UNDERDOWN, EMPLOYEE #[redacted], **(INJURED)**
DEPUTY SHERIFF, NARCOTIC BUREAU, LOST HILLS CREW

V#5 - JOHN CATER, EMPLOYEE #[redacted],
DEPUTY SHERIFF, NARCOTIC BUREAU, LOST HILLS CREW

V#6 - RONALD MAPLES, EMPLOYEE #[redacted],
DEPUTY SHERIFF, NARCOTIC BUREAU, PALMDALE CREW

V#7 - JIM JENNINGS, EMPLOYEE #[redacted]
SERGEANT, NARCOTIC BUREAU, PALMDALE CREW

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WITNESSES

W#1 - DONNA MURREN, EMPLOYEE #[redacted]
DEPUTY SHERIFF, NARCOTIC BUREAU, PALMDALE CREW

W#2 - KITTY HARRISON, EMPLOYEE #[redacted]
DEPUTY SHERIFF, NARCOTIC BUREAU, CRESCENTA VALLEY CREW

W#3 - R. POMPA, EMPLOYEE #[redacted]
DEPUTY SHERIFF, PATROL DIVISION, CRESCENTA VALLEY STATION

SUSPECTS IN CUSTODY

S#1 - SEVILLA, JOSE, AKA: JOSE SILIVEZA, MH/25, DOB: 07-19-65, IN CUSTODY, BOOKING #3582395

S#2 - RODRIQUEZ, MANUEL, MH/25, DOB: 05-04-68, IN CUSTODY, BOOKING #3582393, CII# [redacted], MAIN #[redacted]

S#3 - QUINONES, OSCAR, MH/24, DOB: 10-09-68, IN CUSTODY, BOOKING #3582396, CII #[redacted]

INJURED SUSPECT

S#4 - CARMONA, MARTA, FH/36, DOB: 10-14-56, **(INJURED)** IN CUSTODY, BOOKING #3582 691

DECEASED SUSPECTS

S#5 - OSUNA, JOSE ANTONIO ARIAS, MH/34, DOB: 12-7-58 (DECEASED) CC#93-05855

S#6 - GARCIA, OSCAR JAVIER, MH/38, DOB: 12-08-54 **(DECEASED)** CC#93-05854

OVERVIEW

At approximately 1430 hours, investigators arrived at the location and contacted **Deputies R. Pompa and D. Blackstock,** Crescenta Valley Patrol Station, Unit 78 Days, who advised Investigators that they responded to the location regarding an "Officer Involved Shooting " call. Upon their arrival they were met by Deputies from the Narcotics Bureau, who stated that they had just been involved in a shootout with suspects and that a Deputy and suspects were injured.

They requested additional units, paramedics and ambulances to respond to the location. They assisted the Narcotics officers in the detainment of suspects and witnesses. They contained the location, notified their supervisors and requested that Homicide Investigators respond to the location. Deputies Pompa and Blackstock will prepare a detailed report of their actions and findings regarding this case. Their report will become a permanent part of this report.

SCENE

The address of the incident is [redacted] Fair Oaks Avenue, Apartment B, Altadena. The location is situated on the [redacted] corner of the intersection of Fair Oaks Avenue (on the east) and Harriet Street (on the south). Fair Oaks Avenue is a north/south street, and Harriet Street runs in an east/west direction.

The location is bordered on the west side by an alley that runs in a north/south direction.

EXTERIOR OF THE BUILDING:

The [redacted] a one-story liquor store on the [redacted] of the structure, facing Fair Oaks Avenue, and a two-story apartment section on the [redacted]. The liquor store is known as [redacted], with an address of [redacted]. The exterior of the liquor store [redacted] has a store front consisting of glass windows and doors with wrought iron bars that roll back to allow entry into the store. The remainder of the structure, on the north and south, that houses the liquor store, is beige stucco.

[redacted] OF THE LOCATION:

The two-story [redacted] of the building, which houses two apartments, is also [redacted].

The entry into the apartment section of the building has a two-story window which contains a door, framed in metal. The window is covered with wrought iron bars. The bars over the door roll back to allow entry into the downstairs landing.

A window, situated to the east of the two-story entry window consists of a large stationary pane in the center and two sliding panes on either side of the large pane. To the west of the abovementioned entry door/window is another window similar to the window to the east. Both windows are covered with wrought iron bars.

The [redacted] of the building, on Harriet Street, has a 3' wide sidewalk, an approximate 1 foot patch of grass, that runs in an east/west direction, and approximately 6' of asphalt, ending at the curb.

Parked in front of the location, just west of the door/window was a Chrysler, Le Baron, brown in color, 4-door, License #[redacted].

WEST SIDE OF THE LOCATION:

The west side of the building has a solid door with a wrought iron screen door centered on the wall. On either side of the door are four windows; each consist of two glass panes framed in metal. All the windows are covered with wrought iron bars. An air conditioning unit is situated between the two windows on the south side of the door.

NORTH SIDE OF THE LOCATION:

The north side of the building has five windows on the two-story portion. Each window has two glass panes with metal

framing and is covered with wrought iron bars. The wrought iron bars over the window to the east, have deadbolt locks. The property north of the structure is a large parking lot for the liquor store customers.

INTERIOR OF THE LOCATION:

Upon entering the glass door on the south side of the building, at Harriet Street, one finds a cement landing. To the left of the landing is an area consisting of broken, brown linoleum. In that area a market shopping cart was situated against the west wall.

Several expended bullet casings were observed in the area.

Directly in front of the entry, on the east end of the area, is a staircase which ascends in a northerly direction to a second landing. The landing turns and ascends in a westerly direction to a third landing.

The staircase is wood, with the banister painted brown and the steps painted grey. Numerous blood stains were observed on the south and west side of the steps, just below the banister.

The third landing has a parquet floor. Numerous expended bullet casings were observed in the landing, along with a clip from a semi-automatic gun.

The landing turns in a northerly direction, and becomes a hallway that runs in an east/west direction. At the north end of the hallway is a solid brown door that leads into an apartment. Upon continuing in an easterly direction, one is led to another solid brown door which is marked with the letter "[redacted]". Several expended bullet casings, a clip from a semi-automatic gun and a metal ram were observed on the floor directly in front of the door.

The two-story window, which is situated along the south wall of the building, allows plenty of light into the stairwell and landing area.

Apartment "[redacted]" is the location of the incident, the main area of concern.

INTERIOR OF THE APARTMENT:

The solid brown door, which has a magnifying peep hole in the second panel from the top, opens to the north and inside of the apartment. A hall runs in an east/west direction. On the north wall of the hallway is a door that leads into a bathroom. The bathroom door had what appeared to be two bullet holes at the bottom portion.

Along the north wall of the bathroom is a bathtub with two shower curtains.

Along the west wall is a toilet with a wooden toilet seat and south of the toilet, still along the west wall is a single sink. Between the sink and the south wall was a mop. Along the east wall was a toilet paper holder, directly across from the toilet. A bullet hole was observed approximately three inches above the floor on that wall.

East of the bathroom, along the north wall, is a second door which leads to a bedroom on the northeast end of the apartment. The bedroom had a bed, chest of drawers, dresser and an open closet area.

The south wall of the hallway is solid from the solid brown door to a door which allows entry into a room that appears to be used as a living/dining room, in the southeast portion of the apartment. The door is directly across the hallway from the door that leads into the northeast bedroom. Numerous bullet holes were observed on the south wall of the hallway which appeared to be exit holes.

Along the north wall of that room, in a cove-like section, is a kitchen with a stove situated along the west wall and a sink/counter along the east wall. A half-wall is situated on the south end of the area, making up the north half-wall of the room which is used as a dining area.

A brown, "Sears Coldspot" refrigerator, is situated along the east wall, along with a white microwave unit, which was on the floor just south of the refrigerator and other miscellaneous items.

Directly in front of the refrigerator was the body of **JOSE ANTONIO ARIAS OSUNA, MH/34.** He was lying face down with his head to the north and his feet to the south. Both his arms were bent at the elbow and tucked under his chest. His legs were spread apart with both feet turn inward.

He was wearing a white t-shirt with a beer logo on the back. The t-shirt was pulled up to his mid-back, exposing his flesh to the waist. A bullet hole was observed at mid-back to the left side, which was oozing blood. A puddle of blood was also observed beneath his face.

He was also wearing black denim pants with a black leather belt, and brown huarachi shoes. Although he was face down, it appeared he was wearing eyeglasses.

The south wall consists of a solid wall and a large window with beige drapes.

Along the west wall was a television, approximately two feet away from the wall, with miscellaneous items of bedding (blankets, etc) and a chair with a radio on the seat.

On the north end of the west wall were approximately fifteen bullet holes which appeared to be exit holes.

The north wall, which is the south wall of the hallway, is solid with two umbrellas leaning against it. Numerous bullet holes were observed which appeared to be entry holes.

In the center of the room was a dining table which was turned upside down, a black bicycle and three chairs turned in different directions.

On the floor, to the south end of the room was a plastic package which appeared to be a "kilo" of narcotics.

Two semi-automatic guns, numerous expended bullet casings and live rounds were observed on the floor, along with numerous items of debris.

***It should be noted that the package which appeared to be a "kilo" of narcotics was marked Item # N-1, photographed at the direction of Investigator Anderson and retrieved by Sgt. Larry Boyce, Narcotic Bureau, in the presence of Deputy R. Bailey and Lt. M. Carter, also of the Narcotic Bureau.

The entire location, exterior and interior, as well as the interior of Apartment "[redacted]" was videoed and photographed and measured for a diagram by **Deputy L. Arthur**, et al., of the Latent Prints Section of the Crime Lab. A copy of their report and diagram will be obtained and made a permanent part of this file.

All firearms items of evidence, i.e., expended bullet casings, live rounds, clips, were retrieved by **Deputy J. W. Whitmarsh**, and **Deputy R. Catalani**. et al, of the Firearms Section of the Crime Lab. A copy of their report will be obtained and made a permanent part of this file.

Criminalist J. Beaver, of the Serology Section of the Crime Lab, collected serological evidence, as well as other physical evidence. A copy of his report will be obtained and made a permanent part of this file.

Upon completion of the crime scene investigation, the location was turned over to Sgt. Larry Boyce, Narcotic Bureau, in order that they may execute their search warrant.

06-22-93, 1645 HOURS

Investigators Bosket and Patton responded to the Altadena Sheriff Station and interviewed **Sergeant Jim Jennings.** He stated that he was the Operations Sergeant, in charge of over seeing the operation plan that was executed this date at the location in Altadena. He went on to say that Deputy Craig Husbands had actually prepared the operation plan and obtained the search warrant that was executed the date of this incident.

There was a pre-arranged meeting at the Altadena Sheriff Station around 11:00 O'clock, at which time they all went over the plan and details regarding the entire operation. They were advised that an informant was to go into the location and confirm that the narcotics were there. After the informant left, the team was to enter the location and execute the search warrant.

They went to the location, setup a surveillance and waited for the signal from the informant. Before making entry into the location, they added an additional deputy to the entry team, in case there were more suspects inside the location than planned.

The informant came out of the location, "gave the sign", and the entry team went into the location. Sergeant Jennings was at the bottom of the stairs when he heard banging and people yelling "this is the Sheriff's Department, we have a search warrant". He heard this announcement several times. When he reached the top of the stairs, he saw the team smashing the front door with the ram and entering the location.

He followed them into the hallway, looked in the direction of the room on the right and he heard shots. He could see rounds coming from inside the room and out towards the entry team members.

The Deputies backed out and he (Jennings) turned around to take cover just outside the front door, next to the hallway partition. He observed the deputies firing as they were retreating. He then heard someone yell "Craig's still in there". The deputies stopped shooting and he (Jennings) went back into the hallway and noticed that the door into the room was shut. He hollered into the room, "Craig, you ok?".

Jennings could hear Craig yelling, "I'm ok" and he heard Craig telling the suspects to "freeze" and "put your hands up". Jennings then kicked the door open and entered and saw a male lying next to a refrigerator. He then noticed Craig lying on the kitchen floor and another man on the kitchen floor in front of him. Jennings went to his right and

shouted "Put your hands up, don't move". Jennings went towards a television and as he did he saw two males on the floor on their stomachs. He felt his team coming in behind him; while he continued to watch these two men. He heard more shots, but he did not know who was firing or from where. He saw another person moving in the corner of the room near the television. Jennings yelled out to his team members to get paramedics and additional help.

When Jennings went out of the room and saw Deputy Underdown on the stairs, he noticed he was injured. He added that prior to entry into the location all of the members of the team were wearing proper attire: vest, duty weapons and the entry team had helmets on their heads. He was unable to provide investigators with any additional workable information and the interview was terminated.

06-22-93, 1815 Hours

Investigators interviewed **Deputy Craig Husbands,** who stated that approximately one month ago he received information from an informant that a male Hispanic, living in an apartment in Altadena, was dealing drugs. Based on this information, he had a "Control Buy" performed on the location and as a result of this controlled buy, he prepared and obtained a signed "Search Warrant" for the location.

Based on these facts he prepared an "Operations Plan" and requested the assistance of other narcotics investigators to execute the search warrant at the location. He effected a surveillance of the location and using his informant he confirmed that narcotics were inside the location.

Based on this information he gave the order for the entry team to effect entry into the location. He followed Deputy Maples (who had the ram) up the stairs, and they were followed by the other teams members.

Deputy Husbands knocked on the front door and yelled "Sheriff's Department, we have a search warrant for the location". They waited for fifteen to twenty seconds and then he told Deputy Maple to "ram the door". Deputy Husbands once again yelled "Sheriff's Department, we have a search warrant" while the team was effecting entry.

Entry was first made into the hallway and he (Dep. Husbands) heard someone yell " Policia". Some other Spanish words were also yelled from behind him. He looked into a doorway and saw no one in the room. He then directed his attention towards a door on the right (south) side of the hallway and saw people moving and running around.

Deputy Husbands then went into this room, with his gun drawn.

He saw people moving and running around. He went to his left (east) and as he did so , he heard shots being fired from in the room and over his head. He dove onto the kitchen floor.

While in a crouched position, gun pointed towards the living room, he heard a voice and he again yelled "Sheriff's Department, drop your guns". He then heard more shots from outside as well as inside the room.

He saw a tall male Mexican man move from the right side of the room too the left and in front of him. He noticed that this man had a gun in his hand and Deputy Husbands told him to "drop the gun and lay down". Deputy Husbands noticed that the gun that the suspect was holding was empty because the slide was locked back.

The suspect laid down on the floor and put his hands to his side and moved his right hand towards a "second gun" on the floor in front of him. Deputy Husbands yelled at the suspect to "freeze, mother fucker or I'm going to kill you", and the suspect did as ordered.

Deputy Husbands then heard other deputies yelling his name and he answered to them "I'm ok, I'm not shot". He then heard them yell "let me see your hands, show me your hands" and then there were more shots fired. A "fat male Mexican" crouched down by the stove and Dep. Husbands told him not to move. The deputies in the room contained the situation.

Deputy Husbands stated that during this entire operation he was wearing his bullet proof entry vest, with Sheriff patches, a ballistic entry helmet and was carrying his issued beretta gun. He was unable to provide investigators with any additional workable information at this time and the interview was terminated.

06-22-93, 1825 Hours

While at Altadena Station, **Deputy L. Gregg #**[redacted] responded to the station and advised the investigating deputies in this case that he was dispatched by his desk to respond to Crescenta Valley Station and perform G.S.R. test on the hands of the suspects who were in custody on this case.

Test Kit #01961 was performed on Suspect Manuel Rodriguez, Test Kit # 01966 was performed on Suspect Jose Armando Silizar-Sevilla and Test Kit # 01999 was performed on suspect Oscar Quinones. These Test Kit's were released to investigator Patton who in turn released them to Criminalist John Beaver of the Sheriff's Crime Lab.

06-22-93, 1830 Hours

Investigator Patton contacted a **Mr.** [redacted], MB/31, D.O.B.

[redacted] who stated that he is a transient in the Altadena area and hangs out on Fair Oaks Ave. and Harriet Ave. most of the time. He told investigator Patton that he was in the area at the time of the shooting and had some information that he wanted to tell to the investigators.

Deputy Patton advised him that he would like to tape record his statement and he allowed him to do so. The interview was in fact taped and transcribed.

The transcript will become a permanent part of this report.

06-22-93, 1910 Hours

Deputy S. Smith #[redacted] from the Altadena Sheriff's Station was dispatched to Huntington Memorial Hospital to retrieve items of clothing from the victims and perform gunshot residue test of the suspects at the hospital. **Deputy Smith** performed a GSR test on Suspect Carmona (Kit #03041) and a GSR test on suspect John Doe (Kit #03035). He returned these kits and bags of clothing to investigator Patton who in turn released them to Criminalist John Beaver of the Sheriff's Crime Lab.

06-22-93, 1910 Hours

Investigators interviewed **Deputy Ronald Lee Maples,** who stated that today, he was called by Sgt. Jennings and asked if he would assist in a "search warrant/operations plan" in Altadena station area. Deputy Maples met with the other team members in Altadena for the briefing and was given a copy of the plan. He went to the location and was a part of the surveillance.

Deputy Maples stated that his assigned duty was to carry the ram and effect entry into the location. When the team went into the apartment complex he followed Deputy Husbands up the stairs and he heard Deputy Husbands announce "Sheriff's Department, we have a search warrant, open the door".

Deputy Maples was then told to ram the door and did so. Deputy Husbands went in first thru the doorway and the other team members followed. Deputy Maples was the fifth or sixth member to enter the hallway and he again heard several other deputies announce "Sheriff's Department".

Shots rang out and the deputies moved to the left and crouched down. "Bobby and Don" returned fire toward the open door on the right (south side). Someone yelled "back, back" and they moved back out into the hallway and upstairs landing.

Deputy Maples then saw Deputy Underdown and Sgt. Jennings outside of the front door. Someone at the front door yelled

"Deputy Husbands is still in there" and then Sgt. Jennings told him to "go get help". Deputy Maples went down the stairs and told "Donna" (Deputy Murren) to get help. He then heard someone yelling in Spanish "to put your hands up". Deputy Maples then went back up the stairs and saw Deputy Husbands walking out with male Mexican, who was shirtless.

Deputy Maples and Sgt. Jennings cleared the other room. He never saw anyone shoot but could hear that the sounds were different, like different guns.

Deputy Maples stated that he was wearing two vest, a soft one and a entry one and that he was carrying his department issued beretta. He was unable to provide investigators with any additional workable information and the interview was terminated.

06-22-93, 1920 Hours

While at Altadena Sheriff's Station, Investigator Patton interviewed Deputy Kitty Harrison #[redacted], who stated that she has been a member of the Sheriff's Department for twenty years and assigned as a Narcotics Investigator for eighteen years.

She was asked to assist in the operations plan that was executed at the location. She attended the briefing at Altadena Station along with the other crew members. They went to the location and parked on the street, awaiting further instructions.

After receiving information that the narcotics had arrived, she and her crew responded to the location where they made entry and she was assigned to watch the outside front door along with Deputy Donna Murren. She did as ordered and shortly after the deputies went up the stairs she heard gunfire from the location.

She and Dep. Murren took cover in the corner of the alley and yelled to the uniform Deputies to radio for backup. There was a pause and then more gunshots were heard. Deputy Maples came out of the location yelling at her and she again heard more gunfire.

She then heard someone say "put your hand ups", then more gun fire. Shortly after this Deputy Husbands brought down a male Mexican in handcuffs and turned him over to Deputy Maples. Deputy Steve Underdown came outside and she noticed that his right pinky finger was bleeding and he asked her to take his gun out of his right hand. She did so and placed it into his holster.

She then wrapped his hand in toilet paper to try and stop the bleeding. She went upstairs and into the location. She saw a

male on his back, near a television, bleeding. There were two guns lying on the floor near the entry door into the room.

She noticed that one of the guns was cocked and one had the slide back. There were shell casing all over the place and holes everywhere. She noticed a wrapped package on the floor which she recognized to be a kilo of cocaine. It was lying near a male Mexican who was lying in a pool of blood, on the floor next to a refrigerator against the east wall of the room. She also observed a "long serrated knife" on the floor next to his hand.

She observed a female in the corner, adjacent to the refrigerator. She was bent over and had blood on her. She was behind a table that was turned upside down and there was a bullet hole in the table.

There was a "big male Mexican" and a second male, proned out on the floor and both of them were handcuffed. She had the big male Mexican get up off the floor and she escorted him downstairs and turned him over to a patrol deputy for transportation to the station. She went back up stairs and continued to contain the apartment until relieved of duty. She was unable to provide investigators with any additional workable information and the interview was terminated.

06-22-93, 2010 Hours

Investigators Bosket and Patton interviewed **Deputy Stephen Calvin Underdown, #**[redacted] who stated that he has been on the department for twelve years and assigned to the Narcotics Bureau for five years. His interview was tape-recorded and transcribed, which will become a permanent part of this file.

Investigators Bosket and Patton, along with A.L.A.D.S. Attorney Shinee, interviewed **Deputy Robert James Bardon #** [redacted] who stated that he has been on the department for eighteen years and with the Narcotics Bureau for eight years. His interview was tape-recorded and transcribed, which will become a permanent part of this file.

Investigators Bosket and Patton, along with A.L.A.D.S. Attorney Shinee, interviewed **Deputy Donald Peter Boucher #**[redacted] who stated that he has been on the department for ten years and with the Narcotic's Bureau for three years. His interview was tape-recorded and transcribed, which will become a permanent part of this file.

Investigators Bosket and Patton, along with A.L.A.D.S. Attorney Shinee, interviewed **Deputy John Cater #**[redacted] who stated that he has been on the department for ten years and with the Narcotic's Bureau for three years. His statements were tape-recorded and transcribed, which will become a

permanent part of this file.

06-22-93, 2250 Hours

Investigator Patton interviewed **Deputy Donna Murren**, DOB [redacted], who stated that she has been a Deputy for seven years and has been assigned to the Narcotics Bureau for only three weeks. She was also assigned to assist in this operations plan and responded to the Altadena Sheriff's Station to attend the briefing.

She went to the location with the team and was assigned to contain the front of the location when the team made entry. Shortly after the crew went up the stairs she heard loud knocking and someone yelled out "Sheriff's Department" several times.

She then heard the sound of the ram hitting the door. She again heard "Sheriff's Department" and then "Policia" and then shortly after this she heard gunfire. She heard someone say "back", and while looking into the clear glass front door to the apartment complex, she could see deputies backing up.

She moved back towards the alley, near the south west corner and while doing so she heard more gunshots. There was another pause and then more gunshots. She then heard someone say "manos arriba" and then more gunshots. There was another pause and then Deputy Maples ran out of the front door with a male Mexican handcuffed.

She again heard yelling and someone say "get your hands up" and then more gunshots. Deputy Underdown and Husbands came outside and she noticed that Deputy Underdown was shot. They walked him over to the van.

She went upstairs and saw a female Mexican near the left door, a male Mexican next to a refrigerator, a male Mexican lying on the south west side of the room and two male Mexicans behind a door. She also saw two guns on the floor and they both appeared to be semi-auto weapons. One had wood grips and was "cocked and locked" and the other was a "9mm with the slide locked back".

She noticed several holes in the walls, television and in the refrigerator. She was unable to provide investigators with any additional workable information and the interview was terminated.

6-23-93, 0100 HOURS

Investigators **R. Bosket, E. Patton** and **L. Anderson**, Sheriff's Homicide Bureau, responded to Crescenta Valley Sheriff Station and interviewed **JOSE ARMANDO SILIZAR SEVILLA**, who was in custody. He was advised of his Constitutional Rights per SH-AD 477 (Spanish Version) by Deputy Anderson, to

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which he stated he understood his rights, waived same, wanted to discuss the case with investigators and waived his right to have an attorney present during the interview. He stated the following:

He came from Honduras, the State of La Seyva, has been in the United States for the past three years and his status is illegal immigrant.

He resides with his [redacted] at the location and has been living there for the past month. His previous address was [redacted]., where they rented a room from a [redacted]. They lived there for five months.

His friend, [redacted], who is from Mexico, also lives with them but was not home on 6-22-93.

He usually works in construction but is currently unemployed.

Regarding the incident, he stated as follows:

On 6-21-93, at approximately two o'clock in the afternoon, he received a telephone call from [redacted], a friend, who asked if he (Armando) had a "kilo" of Cocaine. He told [redacted] that he did not have any cocaine in his house and [redacted] asked if he had a friend who could get a "kilo". He told [redacted] that he did.

Since he owes [redacted] $800, he did him the favor, but felt pressured.

He telephoned a friend named [redacted] who lives in Los Angeles, telephone #[redacted], and talked with him. He asked [redacted] to get him a "kilo" of cocaine. [redacted] said he would.

On 6-22-93, he received a telephone call from [redacted] (true name unknown) at approximately 12 noon, who told him he ([redacted]) was on his way with a "kilo". The "kilo" would be sold for $18,000.00.

At approximately 1:15 p.m., "[redacted]", along with three males whom he does not know, arrived at his residence. "[redacted]" was in the apartment awaiting their arrival. When one of the males showed "[redacted]" the "dope", "[redacted]" inspected the merchandise and left the apartment to go get the money.

About five minutes after "[redacted]" left the apartment, the police arrived and broke down the door to his apartment.

When he first heard the knocking at the door, he threw himself to the floor of the kitchen. Just then he heard more than 100 shots. [redacted] also fell to the floor. Neither he nor [redacted] were armed.

When the shooting stopped, the police entered and they were wearing badges and were identifiable as deputy sheriffs. He was handcuffed and dragged out, causing a scratch to his elbow. However, he was not seriously injured and up to the time of the interview was not feeling any pain nor discomfort. He was not beaten in any way.

Prior to be taken out of the apartment, he saw that his [redacted] was injured and he brought it to the attention of the deputies.

Investigators asked if he was going to receive payment for arranging the narcotics transaction, to which he stated he was not going to receive any money nor cocaine for the use of his apartment, but "[redacted]" told him his debt would be paid in full if he arranged the "kilo" of cocaine to be brought to him (Coleman).

He further stated that he has never sold any drugs from his house, nor anywhere else.

He was asked what he meant by "dope" and he said "cocaine".

He was further asked to describe "[redacted]", who which he described him as being a black male, approximately 5'8", 26 to 27 years old, thin, bald, and clean shaven.

Regarding [redacted], he was not home at the time of the incident.

He could add nothing further and this interview was terminated.

6-23-93, 0935 HOURS

Investigators E. Patton and L. Anderson interviewed **OSCAR ALONSO QUINONES**, who was in custody at Crescenta Valley Sheriff Station. Prior to the interview he was advised of his Constitutional Rights per SH-AD 477, to which he stated he understood, waived same, did not want an attorney present during the interview and wanted to discuss the matter with investigators.

***It should be noted that as Investigator Anderson entered the interview room she immediately recognized the suspect. She pointed out to him that she recognized him from a previous incident and he said he, too, remembered her, and



asked if her name was Anderson, to which she replied it is. Investigator Anderson told the suspect she could not remember the incident and he stated it was in 1989 or 1990 and the incident occurred on 59th Street in the city of Maywood. It involved the sale of narcotics wherein a person was killed behind a "dope burn". Investigator Anderson did remember the incident.

Regarding the interview, he stated the following:

He is from Chihuahua, Mexico, has been in the United States since 1986 and received amnesty in 1987.


He lives at [redacted], telephone # [redacted], with his [redacted], [redacted]; his [redacted], [redacted], FH/4; [redacted], FH/46; and [redacted], MH/12.

He is self-employed, sells cars, but sometimes works for [redacted] in Los Angeles. His [redacted] works at [redacted] and is an X-Ray technician.

Regarding the incident, he stated as follows:

On 6-22-93, about noontime, while in the vicinity of Indiana Street, north of the 5 Freeway, he saw a street vendor who was selling coconuts. As he stopped to purchase one, he saw his friend, Manuel (whom he met one month ago through a mutual friend), standing near the gate of a residence. He knows Manuel is an electrician somewhere in the Los Angeles area.

He walked over to Manuel and they had a conversation. Manuel asked where he was going and he told Manuel he was going to see a friend about a car. Manuel asked, "if you're not in a hurry, can you give me a ride?" He said he would and Manuel said he would be right back.

Manuel ran inside the residence and returned a short time later carrying a bag. Manuel asked him to open the trunk in order to place the bag in it. He did so and then they drove toward the freeway.

Manuel directed him to get on the freeway, northbound, to the 2 Freeway. They drove toward the mountains on the 2 Freeway and then turned onto another freeway, but he did not know the name or number of the freeway. Manuel directed him to exit the freeway at an unknown street and then while driving on the side streets, Manuel directed him to the location.

Upon arriving at the location, both he and Manuel exited his vehicle and he opened the trunk in order for Manuel to retrieve the bag. He asked Manuel if he should wait

for Manuel's return. Manuel said no and invited him to join him.

They walked to the entrance of the building, a glass door, and were met at the door by a "fat guy". The "fat guy" opened the door and said, "pasenle" (Spanish word meaning "enter"). Neither Manuel nor the "fat guy" greeted each other. The "fat guy" told them to follow him and they went upstairs to an apartment.

As they entered the apartment they went into a room that faces the street. He observed a black male seated at the table and two other hispanic males seated by the window. He then saw a lady in the kitchen, cooking something. There were no introductions and he referred to the two hispanic males as "compas" (Spanish slang word shortened from "compadre", which means one adult is godparent to the other adult's child(ren).

He went and sat in a chair by the window, close to the television set. Manuel sat next to him and dropped the bag on the floor. The "fat guy" picked up the bag and put it on the table. The "fat guy" called one of the hispanic males, who came over to the table and looked in the bag. The hispanic male then went back to his seat, which was just east of where he (Oscar) was seated.

The "fat guy" asked the black male if it was good, meaning to his satisfaction. The black male responded that it was. The black male got up and said he was going to get the money and left the apartment. The rest of the males and the female remained in the apartment.

No amount of money was discussed.

About 3 to 5 minutes later he heard a noise as if someone had opened a door with alot of force. At first no one paid attention to the noise. He simultaneously heard a sound, as if someone was running and then heard about 100 shots. There was no time lapse between the noise of the door, the running and the shots.

Everyone in the apartment "hit the floor" and he crawled toward the wall where he heard the noise. Manuel ran and stood just west of the door that leads into that room and was pointing his gun toward the kitchen. Manuel then "hit the floor" and crawled behind and positioned himself next to him. As he heard the shots he saw bullets coming through the wall.

He turned toward Manuel and saw him holding a gun in his right hand. Manuel was shooting the gun toward the wall

where the bullets were coming through and toward the kitchen. Manuel threw the gun toward him (Oscar) and he thought it was so that he (Oscar) could fire it. He picked up the gun, aimed at the wall and pulled the trigger but the gun did not fire because it was empty. He again looked toward Manuel and saw him holding another gun and was firing it.

He was not aware if anyone else in the room had guns, only Manuel.

The shooting continued by the police and they screamed, "drop the guns, drop the guns". He immediately threw his gun to the center of the room and Manuel did the same. One of the deputies entered and then two more.

One of the hispanic males in the apartment was now in the corner, behind the television set and the deputies were telling him, "don't move, don't move". The hispanic male was moving his shoulder and elbow and the deputies shot two more times. It appeared to him that the hispanic male was injured before the deputies shot.

At that time the shooting stopped and those on the floor who were not injured were handcuffed and led outside to awaiting police cars. He was placed in a police car and eventually taken to the police station.

He never actually saw Manuel pulling the trigger but he knows it was Manuel doing the shooting because it is something that does not have to be seen to know it is so.

He described Manuel as being big and wearing a red tank top, which was pulled out of his knee-high pants, at the waist. He was also wearing tennis shoes. He could not remember if the shorts were brown or white.

He further described the bag as being possibly black leather with two straps at the top, and by stretching his arms a distance of approximately 1-1/2 feet made a gesture to indicate the bag was elongated and round, resembling a gym bag.

When asked to describe the "fat guy", he stated he was hispanic, black hair, heavy set, wearing denim pants and no shirt.

He described the guns as being semi-automatic, black in color, but could not tell the calibre.

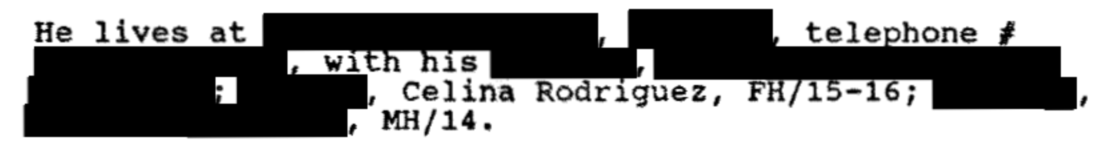
He carries an "American Way Cellular" pager, number [redacted]. Manuel also carries a pager but he does not know

the brand name nor number.

He could add nothing further and this interview was terminated.

1220 HOURS

Investigators then contacted **MANUEL RODRIGUEZ**, MH/25, who stated the following:


He lives at [redacted], [redacted], telephone # [redacted], with his [redacted], [redacted]; [redacted], Celina Rodriguez, FH/15-16; [redacted], [redacted], MH/14.

He is [redacted] to [redacted], FH/21, DOB: [redacted], who lives at [redacted], telephone # [redacted]. They are separated at the time but are planning on a reconciliation.

He works as an electrician, but does not belong to any union. He works independently.

Manuel was asked if he knows why he's in jail. He stated simultaneously, "because a friend of mine saw me and Oscar talking and he told me that he had some cocaine and wanted me to get my father's guns and go with him as back-up so that nothing would happen to him. I didn't want to go but he offered me $500 and said it was just for back-up and that nothing would happen. When we got to the house me and the other guy did some shooting, and that's it."

At this time, Investigators felt he might be incriminating himself and told him they felt he should be advised of his rights prior to him making any further statements.

He asked for time to think it over and was granted approximately five minutes, and investigators left the interview room.

After five minutes, investigators returned to the interview room and he decided he would rather speak with an attorney. No further interview was conducted.

06-23-93, 1030 Hours

Investigator Bosket attended two post-mortem physical examinations of the body's of Suspect Jose Osuna and Suspect John Doe #93, performed at the Los Angeles County Chief Medical Examiner-Coroner's office. At the conclusion of the examination of Suspect Oscar Javier Garcia, MH/38, **Doctor Lisa Schein** ascribed the cause of death to be two gunshot wounds to the face and a single gunshot wound to the back of the suspect's body.



At the conclusion of the examination of Suspect Jose Osuna, Doctor E. C. Carpenter ascribed the cause of death to be multiple gunshot wounds to the suspects body. Both Doctors are to prepare an autopsy protocol detailing their findings. A copy of each protocol will be made a permanent part of this file.

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